Repealed and three sections added in lieu. eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, chapter four hundred and fifteen, entitled "An act to repeal and re-enact with amendments, sections two, three, eight, nine, ten and eleven of chapter two hundred and thirty-three of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at January session, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, entitled 'An act to establish the Maryland House of Correction,'" be and the same is hereby repealed, and that the following three sections be and the same are hereby enacted in lieu of the said ninth section so repealed.

House of Correction.

SEC. 9. (a.) When any person shall be convicted of larceny in any court of this State, and such court shall be of the opinion that the interests of public justice will be best promoted by sentencing the person so convicted to the Maryland House of Correction instead of the Penitentiary, it shall have power to sentence such person to be confined in the Maryland House of Correction instead of the Maryland Penitentiary; provided that the said term of confinement in the said Maryland House of Correction shall not be for a less period than may now, or hereafter, be lawfully imposed for the offence of which such person was so convicted, and that such person so sentenced to confinement in said Maryland House of Correction be not sentenced to be confined therein for a longer period than three years.

May sentence to, for larceny

Tramps sentenced to confinement in. SEO. 9. (b.) Any person, not insane, who is convicted of being a tramp shall be sentenced by the justice of the peace before whom such offender is tried, or by the court before whom such offender is tried, to confinement in the Maryland House of Correction for a period of not less than two months nor more than one year.

For assault and battery may be confined in. SEC. 9. (c.) When any person is convicted in any court of this State of assault and battery, riot, or any other misdemeanor punishable under the laws of this State by imprisonment in jail or by fine and imprisonment in jail, such court shall have power to sentence such person to be confined in the Maryland House of Correction; provided that the said term of confinement in the said Maryland House of Correction shall not be for a less period than two months.